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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: N. WATANABE, et al

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For: NETWORK-ATTACHED DISK UNIT WITH DATA PROTECTION  
FUNCTION AND SERVER PROTECTING DATA STORED IN  
NETWORK-ATTACHED DISK DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 10, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2003, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.